

NOTE

*Ornithodoros kohlsi* Guglielmone and Keirans (Acari: Ixodida: Argasidae), a new name for *Ornithodoros boliviensis* Kohls and Clifford 1964

Kohls and Clifford (1964) described all post-embryonic stages of *Ornithodoros boliviensis* from ticks found on bats and in houses in northeastern Bolivia. However, the name *O. boliviensis* is preoccupied by *Ornithodoros boliviensis* Bacherer Gutiérrez 1931. He described the last nymphal stage of *Otobius megnini* (Dugès 1883) as *Ornithodoros boliviensis*, from ticks frequently found in the ears of humans in the vicinity of Sucre, Bolivia (Bacherer Gutiérrez 1931). Therefore, *Ornithodoros boliviensis* Bacherer Gutiérrez constitutes a junior subjective synonym of *Otobius megnini* (Dugès 1883) (**new synonymy**), and we propose the name ***Ornithodoros kohlsi* Guglielmone and Keirans (new name)** for *Ornithodoros boliviensis* Kohls and Clifford 1964.

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